

Judicial Center Annex -- No. 100300

Category	Public Safety	Date Last Modified	January 10, 2008
Subcategory	Other Public Safety	Required Adequate Public Facility	No
Administering Agency	Public Works & Transportation	Relocation Impact	None.
Planning Area	Rockville	Status	Preliminary Design Stage

EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)

Cost Element	Total	Thru FY07	Est. FY08	Total 6 Years	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design, and Supervision	14,481	592	3,988	9,901	5,409	992	3,500	0	0	0	0
Land	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Site Improvements and Utilities	5,502	0	0	5,502	402	3,600	1,500	0	0	0	0
Construction	16,468	0	0	16,468	387	4,531	11,550	0	0	0	0
Other	3,382	9	0	3,373	546	2,827	0	0	0	0	0
Total	39,833	601	3,988	35,244	6,744	11,950	16,550	0	0	0	0

FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000)

Current Revenue: General	355	330	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
G.O. Bonds	39,478	271	3,963	35,244	6,744	11,950	16,550	0	0	0	0
Total	39,833	601	3,988	35,244	6,744	11,950	16,550	0	0	0	0

DESCRIPTION

This project provides for planning and design of the Montgomery County Judicial Center Annex, coordinating associated requirements such as phasing, parking, and security.

JUSTIFICATION

The Judicial Center's courtrooms are all assigned to current judicial positions leaving no room for new Circuit Court judge positions. On March 1, 2002, the Juvenile Court for Montgomery County transferred from the District to the Circuit Court. There is no room in the Judicial Center to house the Juvenile Division, which originally was comprised of three courtrooms in the Grey Courthouse. In January 2006, the 21st judge was added to the judicial complement and a fourth juvenile court was reopened in the Red Brick Courthouse. This results in the Circuit Court operating from three courthouses in the Rockville core. In order to meet the projected workload, URS Inc. calculated the need for the County Circuit Court judges at 22 by 2005, 28 by 2015, 31 by 2020, and 34 by 2025 to meet workload. There is no room for future expansion of other offices such as the Clerk of the Circuit Court, the State Attorney's office, Sheriff's Office, and Register of Wills that are projected to grow to support the Court.

The following studies have been completed to address the requirements of this project:

October 2003 Judicial Center Annex Project Report (URS/Fentress), October 2003 Courtroom Utilization Study (URS/Fentress), August 2003 Planning Drawings for Phases 1 and 2 (URS), November 2001 Circuit Court Facilities Needs Report (Vitetta Group), February 1998 Montgomery County Circuit Court Facility Master Plan, Impact of Family Court, and Staff and Space Requirements reports (Vitetta Group), and the Rockville core plan. Courtrooms are designed to meet National Center for State Court standards. Vitetta options included housing courtrooms in the Grey Courthouse, renovating the Judicial Center to add courtrooms with an annex for support space, and building a courthouse annex. URS developed both Phases 1 and 2 in greater detail and extends Phase 1 from 2010 to 2015 and Phase 2 from 2020 to 2025. Additional studies by DPWT revealed that two-phase construction of the annex presents significant issues in terms of construction complexity and total project costs. An architect was selected in 2007.

FISCAL NOTE

This project is recommended only for planning and design. Final project cost estimates including construction will be determined during the design development phase. The project includes preliminary cost estimates only. Project design will commence after the Chief Administrative Officer approves the project scope.

OTHER DISCLOSURES

- A pedestrian impact analysis will be performed during design or is in progress.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA

Date First Appropriation	FY03	(\$000)
First Cost Estimate		
Current Scope	FY07	39,833
Last FY's Cost Estimate		39,833
Appropriation Request	FY09	10,989
Appropriation Request Est.	FY10	0
Supplemental Appropriation Request		0
Transfer		0
Cumulative Appropriation		8,994
Expenditures / Encumbrances		7,131
Unencumbered Balance		1,863
Partial Closeout Thru	FY06	0
New Partial Closeout	FY07	0
Total Partial Closeout		0

COORDINATION

Circuit Court
 Sheriff's Office
 State Attorney's Office
 Register of Wills
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 Department of Public Works and Transportation
 Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission
 City of Rockville

Special Capital Projects Legislation [Bill No. 23-06] was adopted by Council June 13, 2006.

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